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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Gary VAN NEST and Joseph J. EIDEN,
Jr.

Serial No.: 09/802,445

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For: METHODS OF REDUCING
PAPILLOMAVIRUS INFECTION
USING IMMUNOMODULATORY
POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 3, 2002 (Paper No. 9) for which a response was due on April 3, 2002. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for a response from April 3, 2002 to July 3, 2002. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.